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Annual Crop Production 2010

The 2010 growing season for crops endured adequate rainfall in the spring, and a dry summer with extreme drought conditions with late rainfall at the end of the season.

- **Corn** acreage decreased from 2009 with 270,000 planted acres. Producers harvested 250,000 acres for grain, unchanged from last year, with a yield of 116 bushels per acre. Total grain production improved from 27.0 million bushels of corn in 2009 to 29.0 million bushels in 2010.
- **Cotton** production was estimated at 480,000 bales from 337,000 harvested acres. The state's cotton yield increased 16 pounds to 684 pounds per acre for the 2010 year.
- **Soybean** production totaled 9.0 million bushels from 345,000 harvested acres, a decrease of 52 percent and down 85,000 acres from 2009.
- Total **hay stocks** for December 1 decreased to 1.2 million tons from the December 1, 2009 estimate of 1.7. **Hay** yield remained unchanged from last year with 2.4 tons per acre. Hay production totaled 1.87 million tons of hay from 780,000 harvested acres, a decrease of 20,000 acres from the previous year.
- The state's **peanut** yield was at 2,600 pounds of nuts produced per acre, down 700 pounds from 2009. Farmers harvested 185,000 acres and produced 481.0 million pounds of peanuts in 2010.
- **Sweet potato** production totaled 480,000 cwt, an increase of 89,000 cwt. from a year ago.
- **Winter wheat seedings** for the 2010 crop season were estimated at 150,000 acres, a decrease of 70,000 acres from 2009.

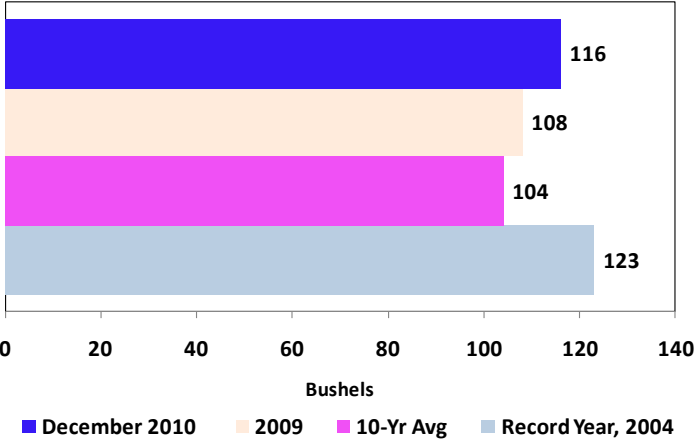
Acres, Yield, and Production of Principal Crops, 2010

Crop	Unit	Acres Planted		Acres Harvested		Yield per Acre		Production	
		2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
ALABAMA		- Thousand -				- Units -		- Thousand Units -	
Cotton Lint 1/	Bales	255	340	248	337	668	684	345	480
Cottonseed	Ton	-	-	-	-	-	-	114	158
Corn, All	Ac.	280	270						
Corn, Grain	Bu.	-	-	250	250	108	116	27,000	29,000
Corn, Silage	Ton	-	-	9	9	13	15	117	135
Hay	Ton	-	-	800	780	2.4	2.4	1,920	1,872
Soybeans	Bu.	440	350	430	345	40	26	17,200	8,970
Peanuts	Lb.	155	190	150	185	3,300	2,600	495,000	481,000
Wheat, All	Bu.	220	150	180	115	55	55	9,900	6,325
Oats	Bu.	50	35	11	10	50	45	550	450
Irish potatoes	Cwt.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sweet potatoes	Cwt.	2.6	3.3	2.3	3.2	170	150	391	480
Pecans (Utilized) 2/	Lb.	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,000	7,000
Peaches 2/	Ton							6,000	3,500

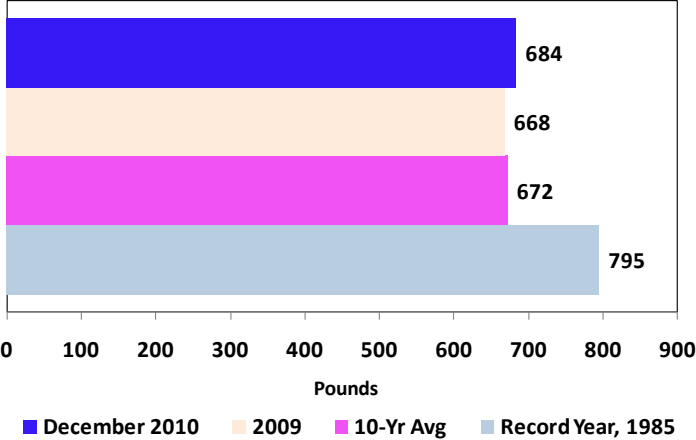
1/ Yield per acre in pounds. 2/ 2010 estimate carried forward from previous forecast.

Alabama Crop Yield Statistics

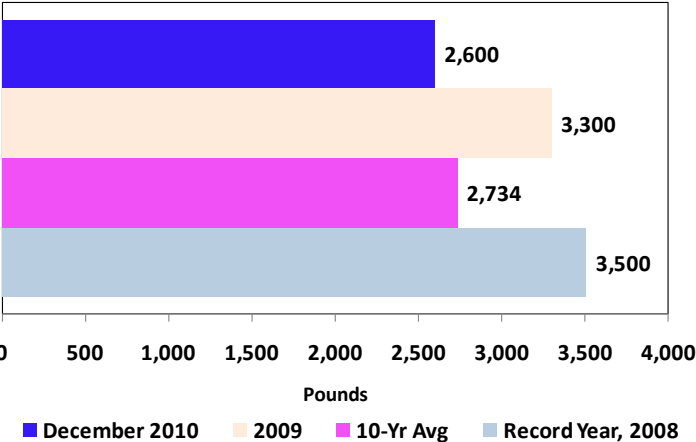
Corn Yield



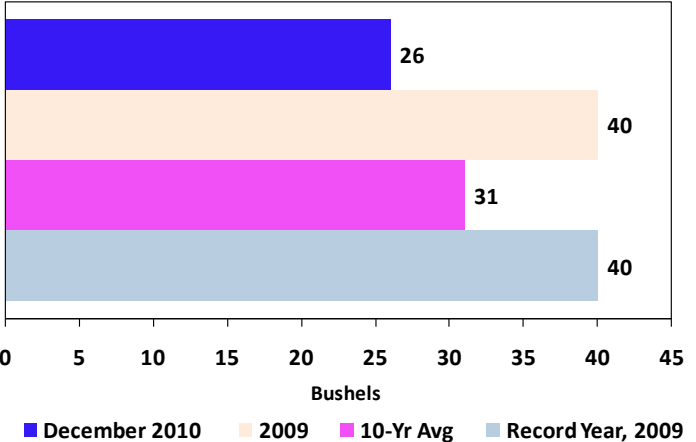
Cotton Yield



Peanut Yield



Soybean Yield



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